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Section 1, Special Branch, *Shanghai***REPORT**

Date: February 10, 1939

Subject: New Year Gold Dedication Campaign.

Made by: D.I. Pan Lien-pih

Forwarded by: *C. Wang*

With reference to Special Branch report dated January 25, 1939 and the memo of the D.C. (Special Branch) relating to the New Year Gold Dedication Campaign, the "News Digest(譯報)", a foreign owned local Chinese-language daily, published on February 10 a notice to the effect that "up to January 31, 1939, a total of \$5,127.64 has been received and remitted through the Bank of China." No mention is made to whom the money has been remitted, and enquiries made at the newspaper office brought forth an evasive reply and that the money had been dispatched for refugee relief. This does not appear to be the truth because, according to information from a confidential source, the money has actually been remitted to the headquarters of the New Fourth Army operating in the areas abutting the Shanghai-Nanking Railway line.

"The Standard," "The Ta Mei Pao", and "The Shun Pao", foreign owned local Chinese-language dailies, have also received small donations from various individuals and because of the smallness of the sums they were handed to the "News Digest" and included in the sum of \$5,127.64 as published by the latter paper.

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It might be as well to enquire at the offices of these newspapers as to how the collection is going on & for what purpose funds are intended

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I have asked  
S.B. & assist

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In the middle of January 1939, a contribution campaign known as the "New Year Gold Dedication Campaign" (新年獻金) was launched under an atmosphere of utmost secrecy by members belonging to the local cultural circles (women's and vocational), who have communistic and leftist leanings. The object of promoting this campaign is to bring the local Chinese citizens into the practice of thrift and of contributing the money which might otherwise be spent unnecessarily in social items between relatives and friends during the new year period. The date for the start of this campaign has been set between January 16 and 31, 1939, during which period the people in general may send in their contributions to the offices of any of the four foreign-owned local Chinese-language dailies, namely the News Digest (譯報), the Standard (文匯報), the Ta Mei Pao (大美報) and the Shun Pao (申報). Those donors will be issued with a receipt and their names will be published in a special column of the dailies in due course.

Searching enquiries have thus far failed to ascertain the true identities of the prime movers of the campaign, but it has been learned that mimeographed sheets (specimen attached) have been printed for dissemination amongst relatives and friends. These sheets contain instructions as to the procedure to be adopted in this gold dedication campaign and is as follows :-

- 1) Persuade your relatives and friends to dedicate the amount of money they may spend by indulging in

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social items usually connected with the new year period.

- 2) Contributions may be sent to either the Shun Pao, the News Digest, the Ta Mei Pao or the Standard, all of which have been designated as receiving agents.
- 3) Receipts will be issued by the newspaper offices concerned and the names of the contributors will be published in due course. The names of the contributors may be kept out of the papers if so desired.
- 4) On January 31, 1939, the date for the termination of the campaign, the total sum received by the various newspaper offices in connection with the present campaign, will be delivered to a bank already designated for the purpose.
- 5) The Gold Dedication Campaign commences on New Years Day and will conclude on January 31, 1939.

It is to be noted that these memiographed sheets make no mention of the purpose to which the money collected will be used, but according to information received from reliable sources, the money in question will ultimately be remitted to the Headquarters of the New Fourth Army through a reliable bank by the four local Chinese dailies mentioned.

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